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SUBJECT: GRC REQUEST FOR NARCOTICS TRAINING

REF: A-9631, 25 SEP 72

DEPT PASS APPROPRIATE AGENCIES INCLUDING CIA

HONG KONG FOR BNDD AND CUSTOMS

MANILA FOR BNDD

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH REF, WHICH DELINEATES
TRAINING AVAILABLE TO FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS IN THE FIELD
OF NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT, THE GRC HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST
IN RECEIVING A JOINT BNDD/ CUSTOMS TRAINING TEAM. THE
GRC IS INTERESTED IN TWO DISTINCT TYPES OF TRAINING:

(1) SHORT- TERM, HIGH- IMPACT TRAINING TO PROVIDE
IMMEDIATE KNOWLEDGE AND CAPABILITY IN NARCOTICS
INTELLIGENCE AND ENFORCEMENT (PARAGRAPH 4 OF REFERENCE);
AND (2) CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT COURSE III (PARAGRAPH
5 B(3) OF REFERENCE).

2. THE GRC ESTIMATES THAT THEY WOULD HAVE ABOUT 800
CUSTOMS, POLICE, AND SECURITY OFFICERS ATTEND THE FIRST
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TYPE OF TRAINING. ASSUMING THAT EACH COURSE WOULD BE LIMITED TO A SPECIFIC NUMBER OF STUDENTS (SAY 50 OR 100), THE GRC REQUESTS THAT SEVERAL COURSES OF THE FIRST TYPE BE RUN BACK- TO- BACK UNTIL ALL OFFICERS HAVE BEEN TRAINED. IN ADDITION, THE GRC ESTIMATES THAT THEY WOULD HAVE ABOUT 100 GRC OFFICERS TO ATTEND THE SECOND TYPE OF TRAINING. INTERPRETERS WOULD BE PROVIDED BY GRC AS NECESSARY.

3. AS WE UNDERSTAND IT, THE FIRST TYPE OF TRAINING IS A TWO OR THREE DAY FAMILIARIZATION AND ORIENTATION COURSE AND THE SECOND TYPE IS A COMPREHENSIVE COURSE LASTING TWO TO THREE WEEKS. ACCORDINGLY, BOTH TYPES OF TRAINING (THE FIRST ON A ROTATIONAL BASIS AND THE SECOND AFTER COMPLETION OF THE FIRST) WOULD REQUIRE THAT THE TEAM BE PREPARED TO REMAIN IN TAIPEI FOR AT LEAST SEVERAL WEEKS.

4. SINCE MANY GRC OFFICIALS CONCERNED WITH NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT HAVE NEVER SEEN ANY NARCOTICS, THE GRC IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN VISUAL AIDS, SAMPLES, MOVIES ON COMPLETE STEPS OF PROCESSING, NAMES OF POPULAR BRANDS, HANDOUTS, ETC. THE GRC ALSO DESIRES THAT THE TRAINING TEAM LEAVE BEHIND SUFFICIENT TRAINING MATERIALS SO THAT THE TRAINEES CAN FORM A CADRE TO TRAIN OTHER GRC OFFICIALS.

5. WE FEEL THAT THE VISIT OF A JOINT TRAINING TEAM TO THE GRC WOULD BE EXTREMELY BENEFICIAL TO BOTH THE GRC AND THE U. S. SUCH TRAINING WOULD INCREASE THE QUALITY OF NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS BY THE GRC WHICH IS CONSONANT WITH THE WORLD- WIDE OFFENSIVE AGAINST NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING. SUCH TRAINING WOULD ALSO SERVE TO FURTHER OUR RELATIONS WITH THE GRC IN NARCOTICS AND OTHER FIELDS.

6. WE UNDERSTAND A JOINT TRAINING TEAM IS CURRENTLY OPERATING IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. PLEASE ADVISE WHEN IT COULD BE AVAILABLE TO CONDUCT THIS TRAINING. WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO KNOW WHAT RESTRICTIONS MAY EXIST ON NUMBERS OF STUDENTS PER CLASS OR ON TOTAL STUDENTS TRAINED. OBVIOUSLY, THE NUMBERS OF STUDENTS SUGGESTED BY THE

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GRC IS THE OPTIMUM; HOWEVER, WE ARE SURE THAT THE GRC

WOULD BE WILLING TO HAVE FEWER STUDENTS PARTICIPATE.
THESE STUDENTS COULD ACT AS TRAINERS FOR OTHERS.
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